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## RURAL LIFE CONFERENCE AT RANDOLPH

Meeting of State and National Leaders Comes July 26-30

The Vermont Rural Life Conference will occur from July 26 to 30 in Randolph Center conducted by the Vermont State School of Agriculture with the assistance of the Vermont Sunday School Association. The object of the conference is to bring together leaders of the religious, agricultural, educational and social life in this state and nation so that they may strive together to make life more pleasant and profitable, more attractive and satisfying, in the rural districts of Vermont.

The program commences on Monday evening, July 26 at eight o'clock. The evening theme will be "Co-operation of the Agencies for Rural Progress." Orlando L. Martin, Master of the Vermont State Grange, Harold A. Dwinell, Farm Adviser for Orange Co., Elbert S. Brigham, State Com. of Agriculture, and Andrew S. Bole, Director-at-Large of the Vermont Congregational Conference, will be the four main speakers. The morning, afternoon, and evening of the next four days will be occupied in pursuing the subjects directly affecting rural life with men experienced in every field speaking and leading conferences. The closing session of Friday evening, July 30, will hear an address by Kenyon L. Butterfield of Amherst, Mass., President of Massachusetts State Agricultural College, on "The Country Life Movement at Home and Abroad."

The school at Randolph Center will be used for many of the sessions, and the dormitory will be put at the disposal of the subjects directly affecting rural life with men experienced in every field speaking and leading conferences. The only item of expense at the conference will be for meals which will be served at the dormitory dining room for \$1.75 per day.

Much is hoped for from this conference toward coming to a solution of one of the greatest problems of the nation, that of making rural life more attractive to the normal citizen.

Married at St. Johnsbury Center Parsonage

Wendell Hubert Massey, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Massey, was married on Saturday afternoon July 10, to Miss Elizabeth Jane Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis J. Williams of Springfield, Vt. The couple were married by Rev. M. G. Turner at the Congregational parsonage. Immediately after the ceremony the young couple left for St. Johnsbury where a wedding supper was served at the home of the groom's brother, E. Marnard Massey. On their return to the Center late in the evening they were greeted by a volley of fireworks and cheers from the young men of the village, while a red light burning on the top of the band stand added luster to the scene. Mr. and Mrs. Massey left for their Springfield home Tuesday night where they will be at home to their friends at No. 12 Valley street.

Some people who can not spare a half minute to put the cover on the garbage can in which flies are breeding, will spend an hour swatting them around the house.

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GLOBE—Thursday and Friday

## MILITIA IS ORDERED TO CAMP DEVENS

Annual Encampment of Companies D and L On August 7 to 21

Orders for the encampment and target practice of Company D of St. Johnsbury and Company L of Newport along with the other National Guard units of Vermont have been issued from Adj. Gen. Herbert T. Johnson. The encampment will be at Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass., from August 7 to 21 inclusive. The orders follow:

1. Under authorization from the war department, the National Guard of Vermont will attend its field encampment and target practice, under the requirements of section 94, acts of June 3, 1916, and paragraph 305, National Guard regulations, at Camp Devens, Mass., Aug. 7 to 21, inclusive.
2. Major Guy G. Cowen, 1st infantry, will be in charge of the mobilization and will command the camp of instruction. He will issue the necessary instructions to mobilize his command at Camp Devens Saturday, Aug. 7, 1920, and return to home station Aug. 21, 1920.
3. Major Guy G. Cowen is hereby authorized to order the mess sergeant, cooks and one private from each organization to proceed to Camp Devens on Friday, Aug. 6, for the purpose of preparing the barracks for occupation.
4. Major Richard T. Corey, quartermaster's corps, will attend the camp as supply officer and will proceed to Camp Devens in time to reach there on the evening of Aug. 5. He will arrange with the camp supply officer, Camp Devens, for necessary wheel transportation, for issues of subsistence, forage, horses, fuel, straw, ice and other supplies necessary for the period of the camp.
5. Before proceeding to Camp Devens he will consult with the U. S. property and disbursing officer as to funds available for this purpose and methods of settling accounts.
6. Major Ray E. Smith, medical corps, will attend camp as sanitary inspector and will see that all camp regulations are strictly observed.
7. The regiment will be quartered at Camp Devens in barracks. The barracks will be provided with iron cots, straw for bed sacks, mosquito-benches and cooking ranges without utensils. (The range complete should accompany the detail.)
8. The course of training will follow the approved program of instruction from the commanding general, northeastern department, and will be prepared by the inspector-instructor, Col. Easton R. Gibson. The target practice course for organized militia, small arms firing manual 1913, will be followed.
9. Federal pay will be paid from Aug. 7 to Aug. 21, inclusive, and the state will pay the difference between the state and federal pay for the same period. Four copies of the pay rolls will be prepared, completed, ready for payment on or before Aug. 17, 1920.
10. The provisions of paragraphs 512 and 720, National Guard regulations, 1919, set forth are requirements governing the subject to pay for attendance at encampment and exercises. The following modifications have been authorized by the war department for the calendar year 1920: (a) enlisted men who fail to qualify for pay but who attend field training encampments will be allowed transportation and subsistence; (b) those organizations which, by reason of recent federal recognition, cannot comply with the National Guard regulations for pay before the encampment period may make application for pay through proper channels to the militia bureau setting forth the reasons for consideration upon a separate statement upon a letter, No. 11, militia bureau. Read paragraph 720 very carefully.
11. The commanding officer of each company or detachment will determine prior to leaving his home station for camp the cause of absence of any member of his command, and after arrival in camp will submit to the inspector-instructor assigned to duty with his unit for inclusion in the latter's report a detailed list of absences, showing the cause of absence of each member of the organization carried thereon.
12. The Remington centennial trophy and one hundred dollars in cash is hereby made available for the purchase of medals or trophies as prizes to be awarded under such regulations as the commanding officer may prescribe.
13. The travel directed is necessary in the military service.

By command of Governor Clement, Herbert T. Johnson, Adjutant General.

Motor Cycle 500 Mile Endurance Test

Sixty-two motor cycles passed through St. Johnsbury early Sunday morning in a 500 mile, 25 hour endurance run from Worcester to the Canadian line and back again to Worcester. They left the Massachusetts city in groups of four, two minutes apart, the first quartette leaving at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon. M. M. Counsell stayed up through the night to check the tourists off. They came through the town and the first to arrive was a quartette of four on Harley-Davidson side cars. The tourists came in 20 minutes ahead of schedule time, at 1:29 a. m. The last quartette were checked off by Mr. Counsell at 4 o'clock Sunday morning. The route from St. Johnsbury was through East Haven to Island Pond and Norton Mills, thence into Canada and back through Whitefield to Worcester. The party was scheduled to reach their starting point at 8 o'clock Sunday night. Up to the time they had made the first third of their trip they reported to Mr. Counsell that they had no mishaps and they expected to make the entire journey on time.

W. R. KNAPP POST RECEIVES FLAG FROM RELIEF CORPS

Addresses from Chaplains Moody and Adams and Col. Fairbanks

A notable feature of the regular meeting of W. R. Knapp Post of the American Legion at Red Men's Hall Tuesday evening was the presentation to the post of a beautiful American flag by the Chamberlain Relief Corps. The flag was presented by Mrs. Wakefield in a speech full of patriotism and accepted very felicitously by the commander of the post, Harold G. Powell. The flag was in charge of the Sergeant-at-Arms, W. H. Clifford, during the ceremony.

Following the presentation there were short and very encouraging addresses from the three visitors present, Chaplain Paul D. Moody of New York City, Chaplain Chauncey A. Adams of Danville and Col. Joseph Fairbanks. Mr. Adams congratulated the post on their splendid record for membership and said he hoped the members would keep up the high ideals of their organization. Mr. Moody said that although the boys had discarded the uniform there was a large amount of reconstruction work to be done and he felt sure that the St. Johnsbury post would ring true. Col. Fairbanks congratulated the members of the post upon receiving the flag and said that he believed that eventually the people of St. Johnsbury would erect a suitable memorial to the young men that enlisted in the world war.

Collection of Rare Orchids at Museum

While the flower calendar at the Museum shows each native species as it appears, special effort is made to show the native orchids. Forty of the 51 species known to Vermont grow within a radius of five miles of the Museum. A few specimens of each, carefully cut, are displayed each season and the roots carefully safeguarded, that future generations may actually know what a northern orchid is.

Just now there are shown on the tables ten species, as follows: Large coral root, early coral root, heart-leaved twyblade, long-tubed green orchis, yellow-tipped ladies' tresses, tall white bog orchis, greenish-white bog orchis, tall leafy green orchis, northern bog orchis and showy lady's slipper. The showy lady's slipper is the last of the series of lady slipper.

A few weeks ago the Museum and its friends were much indebted to Robert L. Stone of the Vermont Forestry Department, for a fine collection of large yellow lady's slipper, which he sent from Sharon, Vt. The fringed orchids are the next in the succession and are peculiar to July. The lateness of the spring brings many earlier species into this month, so, for 1920 at least, we may call July a month of orchids.

Brooklyn Scouts Visit St. Johnsbury

Four Boy Scouts from Troop 81, Brooklyn, N. Y., spent a part of Tuesday in St. Johnsbury on their way to Montreal. The boys are on a hiking trip from their home. They walked from Brooklyn to Albany, and from there on received lifts which brought them through Saratoga Springs, Glen Falls, Rutland and on the eastern side of the state. When they have reached Montreal they plan to return through the White Mountains to Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Long Island Sound. They will cross the sound and hike in to Brooklyn. The four boys in the party are: Charles Geisler, Ast. Scout Master and Eagle Scout; Frank Malone, Life and Star Scout; Sam Stewart, Merit Badge Scout, and James Critchley. They passed through St. Johnsbury on their ninth day feeling quite fit and ambitious for the rest of their trip, which they estimate will take three weeks.

## AMENDMENT INVADES STATE CONSTITUTION

Governor Refers to Lobby for Proposal to Change

In a proclamation nearly two columns long Gov. Clement states his reasons for not calling a special session of the Vermont Legislature to make possible the ratification of the federal amendment for woman suffrage. The Governor says in part:

Gov. Clement in his proclamation declared that the federal constitution "as it stands and is interpreted by the supreme court today threatens the foundation of free popular government." The proclamation said in part:

"The provisions for changes in the federal constitution, to which we Vermonters are loyal subscribers, are in conflict with those laid down in the constitution of Vermont. The federal constitution provides that proposals for change therein shall, if favorable action is taken thereon by the Congress, be submitted to the legislatures of the several states for their action, and the supreme court of the United States has in a recent decision, *Hawke Versus Smith*, June 1st, 1920, declared:

"The referendum provisions of state constitutions and statutes cannot be applied, consistently, with the constitution of the United States in the ratification or rejection of amendments to it."

"This decision leaves the people at the mercy of any group of men who may lobby a proposal for change in the federal constitution through Congress and then through the legislatures of the states."

"In the face of this situation I am asked to call the legislature of Vermont into extraordinary session, not for the purpose of debating, considering, deliberating on the question at issue, but with a majority of its members 'ledged beforehand and in private, as I understand it, to ratify the proposed amendment."

"If the people of Vermont, in accepting a place in the union of states, inadvertently lost in whole or in part the right of self-government and conferred it on a legislature, there is all the more reason why a legislature should not pass upon a question which has arisen since their election and upon which their constituents have had no opportunity to express themselves."

"We must now either remodel our own constitution to conform with the mandate of the supreme court of the United States, or the constitution of the United States must be amended to provide for a referendum to the free men of the several states before amendments to that constitution become effective. As it stands and is interpreted by the supreme court today, the federal constitution threatens the foundation of free popular government."

"The seventh amendment, providing for federal income tax, was lobbed through Congress and the state legislatures by federal agents. The 18th amendment, for federal prohibition, was forced through Congress and the state legislature by a powerful and irresponsible organization, operating through paid agents with unlimited funds. It is now proposed to force through the 19th amendment, for woman suffrage, in the same manner and also without the sanction of the freemen."

"I have been asked to overlook these considerations as a matter of party that invades a well-established principle of expediency, and the party that invades a well-established principle of popular government will suffer in the end."

Death of a Former Resident of Wheelock

Daniel S. Jones, a former resident of Wheelock, died June 19 in Loomis Hospital, Santa Monica, Cal., following a serious operation. He had spent the last 17 winters in California and many summers in the East at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. S. Bartlett, at 50 Concord Avenue, St. Johnsbury. He was a veteran of the Civil War, having enlisted Sept. 12, 1861, in Co. E., Sixth Vermont regiment.

He is survived by six daughters, Mrs. A. S. Bartlett, Mrs. F. A. Shippee of Holliston, Mass., Mrs. G. R. Barnsted of Stoneham, Mass., Mrs. E. M. Truzzell and Miss Virginia Jones of Long Beach, Cal., Miss Grace Jones of Venice, Cal. The funeral services were held the following Tuesday, the remains cremated and the ashes sent to Holliston, Mass., for interment in the family lot.

Mrs. T. N. Vail Deeds Home to State of Vermont

Mrs. Theodore N. Vail has deeded "The House" at Speedwell Farms to the State of Vermont to become a part of the property of the Vail Agricultural school which Mr. Vail gave to Vermont about six years ago. At that time Mr. Vail gave the grounds on which the mansion is located to the State and his will provided that eventually the State would receive his home. It is stipulated in the deed that Mrs. Vail be allowed the use of the residence until Oct. 15, 1920.

## Gov. Coolidge Will Entertain Thursday

As previous announced Gov. Calvin Coolidge of Massachusetts, the nominee for vice-president on the republican ticket, will keep open house at his father's home in Plymouth Thursday afternoon from 1 to 3 o'clock to all Vermonters. There is every prospect of a large delegation from all parts of the state and quite a number are planning to attend from St. Johnsbury. The affair was arranged by Earl S. Kinsley of Rutland, the Vermont member of the republican national committee, and by many of the leaders of the party from all over the state will be there.

## RURAL LIFE IN GOVERNOR COOLIDGE'S HOME

Bears Taken In Spring Traps and Deer Mix With Cattle

An editorial writer of the New York Times is in Gov. Coolidge's old home in Windsor county and describes its rustic simplicity as follows: Governor Calvin Coolidge of Massachusetts, perhaps the most modest man who ever held public office, is back home in Plymouth Notch, in a region where Bruin is taken in spring-traps every year and where deer feed with cattle in the rock pastures. As Mr. Coolidge has always shunned the limelight of "Who's Who," he is likely to meet neighbors who do not know that he has been nominated for Vice President, and who will never know it from his lips. It is a large, well-kept, unconventional township in the heart of the Green Mountains, of rough farms and lonely farmhouses.

The call of Bob White is heard in season, but never the whistle of a locomotive, except faintly at times on the wings of a south wind coming up from Ludlow, six miles away from Tyson, a Plymouth settlement and out post. A Plymouth man is passing rich on a few hundred dollars a year. All men are equal in the local view and addressed by a shortened first name. The Governor of Massachusetts is Cal. to the fathers of the hamlet, and they must wonder why such a quiet, no-account chap happened to be nominated for the job of Vice President, as they learn by the Rutland paper, R. F. D. Those who do not take a paper will be told by Summer visitors of the honor done Plymouth.

Everybody in Peacham has heard of Colonel Harvey, and everybody in Grafton of John Barrett. But Calvin Coolidge will have to be elected Vice President to be generally known in secluded Plymouth, which is partly the fault of the Governor of Massachusetts.

Plymouth is mainly forest and mountains, with small lakes, mere mountain mirrors, strung along the Black river. It is one of the most beautiful regions in all New England. There is a view from every hillside and there are more hill sides than can be counted. It is a paradise for walkers and for trout fishermen. Any one with a bent pin can catch trout in the Ottaquechee before the July heats. Killington peak looms into the sky to lure climbers.

From its craggy summit the White Mountains and Lake Champlain, with the Adirondacks tumbled beyond, can be seen. Under the rock peak is a spring with a temperature of 38 degrees on a sweltering day. Calvin Coolidge must have gone up Killington by the Juggernaut Trail in his boyhood. By following the brook until it is so small it trickles through the moss and ferns no one need get lost. There are the Pico peaks and Saltash mountain for variety.

If the Governor does not want to follow the blazed trail, he can lie in the shade of an abandoned orchard, with a fair chance to see deer feeding. It is a restful occupation. It is said that he will help his father in the haying. But in those hill pastures the wagon is often tilted up by the steepness of the slope, and pitching hay becomes a muscular performance, perhaps a little too hard for a man who has to write a speech accepting a nomination for Vice President.

If Calvin Coolidge had stayed on the old homestead at Plymouth Notch he would be more interested in the price of milk and of hay per ton than in the Peace Treaty and the Covenant of the League of Nations. He might have taken his turn in going to the Legislature at Montpelier, which would have been his utmost dignity. But he migrated and had "faith in Massachusetts," which he now enjoys upon others.

Whatever he is, whatever he becomes, Plymouth, the old-fashioned townships in the back country of the Vermont hills, will have a share in his fame. The composure of its silent places, the strength of its mountain forms, entered into his character, and the simplicity of its plain folk has been impressed upon his commerce with men as he toiled up the trail to renown. Calvin Coolidge will have other vacations, but none to be remembered with more satisfaction than the return to the haunts of his boyhood and the threshold of the old homestead, candidate of the Republican Party for Vice President and distinguished among Vermont's sons.

—New York Times.

## GORDON SUITOR SCORES 985 IN BABY CONTEST

Fifty-Six Youngsters Examined for Better Baby Diplomas

The Better Babies Contest in East Burke attracted a large company of babies and their friends. Fifty-six youngsters were examined, varying in age from six months to five years, and "provided a lively day for their mothers and the examining physicians. Dr. Kendrick of West Burke, Drs. Brown, Cheney, and Leonard of Lyndonville. Twenty babies were entered from West Burke.

When the examinations were completed, a brief program was given, including music by Mrs. Berton W. Streeter and Miss Margaret Goddine. Nelson, report of the contest by Miss Mabel L. Kellev of the Caledonia Farm Bureau, announcement of prizes by Mrs. Ira E. Hunter, remarks by Rev. Mr. Sutor.

The prize, a handsome bronze medal bearing the seal of the Better Babies Bureau, was awarded to Gordon Sutor, two and a half years old, who had a score of 985 out of a possible 1000. The Better Babies Diplomas, one to the highest scoring boy and girl in each group, were awarded to the following: Group 1, 6 months to 1 year, Barbara Edmunds, 935, Jackson Stewart and Glenn Findlay, each 945. Group 2, 1 to 2 years, Shirley Roberts, 950, Harold Green, 980. Groups 3, 2 to 3 years, Marion Williams, 965, Gordon Sutor, 985. Group 4, 3 to 4 years, Nileen Cole, 965, Wesley Humphrey, 915. Group 5, 4 to 5 years, Helen Chappel, 94, Merle Phillips, 950. Each child examined received the Better Babies Certificate.

The health exhibit was interesting and instructive, including exhibits of baby's bed and bath, a simple layette for a new born baby, a model diet table, suitable toys, baby killers, and a home-made ice box for keeping baby's food. Attractive wall posters offered concise and practical advice on child care, and two tables held literature for free distribution. Part of the exhibit has been placed in the Burke Mountain Clubhouse so that others may benefit therefrom.

The contest was arranged by the East Burke branch of the Caledonia Farm Bureau according to directions of the Better Babies Bureau of the Woman's Home Companion, which furnished its standard score card and prizes, posters and pamphlets. The purpose of the contest is instructive rather than competitive.

The local manager of the contest Mrs. Walter A. Nelson, Mrs. Roy A. Smith and Mrs. Ira M. Hunter, are grateful to the many who assisted willingly, especially the doctors.

A "front porch" campaign is favored by many people for the presidential candidates, but the politicians prefer a back door plan.

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## WOOD ALCOHOL VICTIM HAS DISAPPEAR

Leaves St. Johnsbury Hotel Tuesday P. M. for Parts Unknown

That wood alcohol has plenty "kick" was proved Tuesday in Johnsbury when Jack O'Brien, was supposed to be in a very condition at the St. Johnsbury hotel quietly dressed himself walked out of the institution with one bottle of wood alcohol. His alleged "Canadian High Win" at the police station, or rather bottles, for one bottle contains small quantity of wood alcohol the other is a similar bottle containing wood alcohol that has colored yellow, presumably by gale.

The Concord friend who saw the poisonous stuff disappeared Monday afternoon and is presumed sobering off at his Essex co. home.

M. H. Gilson Has License Suspended

Hon. Harry A. Black, secreta state, has suspended the license M. H. Gilson of East Burke for accident on July 1 where Harold inena was run over and killed. secretary is following the in dealing with all cases of fatigents to suspend the license the driver is exonerated of all li

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